MR. A. THANU PILLAI: I put it to the consideration of the House that it is a thoroughly legitimate question. He said there are two schools of thought.

MR. PRESIDENT: I agree, the question is quite legitimate.

HON'BLE MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI: The two schools of thought I referred to are these: One advocating such merger, and the other, opposing such merger.

MR. A. P. UDAYABHANU: In the Travancore Information it is stated that the Prime Minister of Travancore expressed a particular opinion regarding Aikya Kerala. It is now said that the authorities are not considering that question.

MR. PRESIDENT: It is only a journal. No question can be based on that.

HON'BLE MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI: This supplementary question does not arise on the question put by Mr, Nataraja Pillai.

MR. MANNAR GOPALAN NAIR (*Thiruvalla II—General*): Is the Hon'ble Prime Minister aware of the third school?

HON'BLE MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI: I will be very much gratified to know that. Certainly I should thank him for the information that may be received from the hon'ble member.

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*233. MR. K. SARANGADHARAN (*Ambalapuzha II—General*): Will the Hon'ble Minister be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there is any body, among the fourth grade constables who has passed the higher examination in Malayalam shorthand?

(*b*) whether a speed test in Malayalam shorthand was held on 10-3-1947 at the Inspector-General's Office?

(*c*) whether any body, who had failed in the above examination was appointed as shorthand reporter on Rs. 45-75 scale in the Inspector-General's Office?

(*d*) whether any one who passed the above examination in the first class is still working as a fourth grade constable?

HON'BLE MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI:

(*a*) Yes.
(*b*) Yes.
(*c*) Yes,
(*d*) No.

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*234. MISS. ACCAMMA CHERIYAN: (*Changanachery I—General*): താഴെ പറയുന്ന ചോദ്യങ്ങൾക്ക് ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട മുഖ്യമന്ത്രി സദയം മറുപടി നൽകുമോ?

(എ) ഹജ്ജൂരാഫീസിൽ അയയ്ക്കുന്ന അപേക്ഷകർക്ക് തീരുമാനം ഉണ്ടാകുന്നതിന് വലിയ കാലതാമസം നേരിടുന്നതായി പരാതികൾ ലഭിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

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